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For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING
ELECTRONIC DATA

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 10, 2004, the due date for response having been extended three (3) months, the following election and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-102 are now pending in the present application.

The Examiner has given the following Restriction Requirement:

Group I, claims 1, 3-5, 7-11, 15, 16, 20-25, 39-43, and 86-88, drawn to a data exchange method with encryption and key exchange;

Group II, claims 26-31, 33, 36-38, and 46, drawn to data exchange method utilizing a computer program with encryption and key exchange;

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